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**Bharat Higher Education Summit (BHES) 2025**  
**Theme – Developing Next Generation Leaders in Higher Education**

**Day One: Inaugural Session – 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025, Mahindra University**

Time	Duration	Description
1630 hrs	60 mins	Hi-Tea & Arrival of Guests
<b>1730 hrs</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Day One - Inaugural Session</b>
1730 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Yajulu Medury</b> , Chairperson, CIPU Southern India Regional Council and Vice Chancellor, Mahindra University, Hyderabad
1740 hrs	10 mins	Theme Address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Gopal Pathak</b> , Honorary President, CIPU and Director General, Sarala Birla University, Ranchi
1750 hrs	15 mins	Presidential Address by <b>Dr. Rahul V. Karad</b> , Chief Patron, CIPU & Executive President, MIT-World Peace University
1805 hrs	15 mins	Special Address by <b>Mr. Murali Bukkapatnam</b> , Chairman, Global Board of Trustees, TiE and Founder & CEO, Volksy Technologies, Hyderabad
1820 hrs	15 mins	Keynote Address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Anil Sahasrabudhe</b> , Chairman, Executive Committee, NAAC and Chairman, NBA
1835 hrs	15 mins	Inaugural address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) T. G. Sitharam</b> , Chairman, AICTE
1850 hrs	10 mins	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks by <b>Prof. (Dr.) G. K. Shirude</b> , Hon. Vice President, CIPU and Vice Chancellor, Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP)
1900 hrs		Networking Dinner

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### **Day Two: Plenary Sessions – 24th April 2025, Mahindra University**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Description</b>
0900	20 mins	Special Address on ' <b>Challenges to Academic Leadership in the Next Decade</b> ' by <b>Prof. (Dr.) D.P. Agrawal</b> , Former Chairman, Union Public Service Commission
0920	20 mins	Guest of Honour Address on ' <b>Education as Soft Power – India's Global Influence through Higher Learning</b> ' by <b>Dr. Vijay Chauthaiwale</b> , In-Charge, Overseas Friends of BJP & Foreign Affairs Cell, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
<b>0940 hrs</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 1 – Public-Private Partnership in Research Capacity Building</b>
0940 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Rajasekharan Pillai</b> , Former Chairman, UGC and Vice Chancellor, Somaiya Vidyavihar University
0950 hrs	60 mins	<b>Panel Discussion</b> <b>Prof. (Dr.) Anil Kashyap</b> , President and Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune <b>Prof. (Dr.) Roop Mahajan</b> , Lewis A. Hester Chair in Engineering, Virginia Tech <b>Prof. (Dr.) Padmakali Banerjee</b> , Vice Chancellor, IILM University, Gurugram <b>Dr. (Mrs.) C Tara Satyavathi</b> , Director, ICAR – Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad <b>Prof. (Dr.) Nihar Ranjan Biswas</b> , Vice Chancellor, Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, Puducherry
1050 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1105 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
<b>1110 hrs</b>	<b>20 mins</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
<b>1130</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 2 – Leadership Skills for Digital Age</b>
1130 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Parvinder Singh</b> , Chairperson, CIPU Northern India Regional Council and Vice Chancellor, Lamrin Tech Skills University, Punjab



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1140 hrs	60 mins	<p>Panel Discussion</p> <p><b>Dr. Onkar Bagaria</b>, Trustee &amp; CEO, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur</p> <p><b>Prof. (Dr.) Rajita Kulkarni</b>, President, Sri Sri University, Cuttack</p> <p><b>Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar Pujari</b>, HOD of AI &amp; CSE, Adviser &amp; Professor Emeritus, Mahindra University, Hyderabad</p> <p><b>Prof. (Dr.) Monika Sethi Sharma</b>, Vice Chancellor, K.K. Modi University, Chattisgarh</p>
1240 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1255 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1300 hrs	60 mins	Lunch Break
1400 hrs	90 mins	<p><b>Panel Discussion 3 – Fostering Entrepreneurial Mindsets in Academia</b></p> <p>Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Ramgopal Rao</b>, Group Vice Chancellor, BITS Pilani</p>
1400 hrs	10 mins	Panel Discussion
1410 hrs	60 mins	<p><b>Prof. (Dr.) Pawan Kumar Singh</b>, Director, IIM Tiruchirappalli</p> <p><b>Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy</b>, Vice Chancellor, The Assam Royal Global University</p> <p><b>Dr. Madhu Chitkara</b>, Pro-Chancellor, Chitkara University, Punjab</p> <p><b>Dr. Yogesh Brahmkar</b>, Innovation Director, MoE's Innovation Cell</p> <p><b>Mr. Rajesh Pagadala</b>, President, TiE Hyderabad and Founder &amp; Managing Director, Pagadala Constructions Pvt. Ltd.</p>
1510 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1525 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1530 hrs	30 mins	Tea/Coffee Break



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<b>1600 hrs</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 4 – Leadership in Research and Innovation</b>
1600 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Sandeep Sancheti</b> , Chairperson, CIPU National Committee on R&D and Industry-Academia Collaboration and Vice President – Research Relations & Academic Affairs, Elsevier India
1610 hrs	60 mins	Panel Discussion  <b>Prof. M. Krishnamurthy</b> , Centre Director, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Hyderabad  <b>Prof. (Dr.) Arvind Shaligram</b> , Hon. Director, ISRO-UoP Space Technology Cell, Savitribai Phule Pune University  <b>Prof. (Dr.) K. P. Venugopal Rao</b> , Director, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Hyderabad  <b>Prof. (Dr.) Bishnu Pal</b> , Professor & Dean Ecole Centrale School of Engineering & HoD, Physics, Mahindra University  <b>Prof. (Dr.) Kumar Molugaram</b> , Vice Chancellor, Osmania University, Hyderabad
1710 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1725 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1730 hrs	5 mins	Vote of Thanks by <b>Mr. R. Karthik</b> , Director General, Confederation of Indian Private Universities (CIPU)

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